

PILLING PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th NOVEMBER, 2013 AT
7.00pm

AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, TAYLORS LANE, PILLING

Present: *Councillors; J. Savage, Chairman,*
Mrs. E. Cookson,
G. Curwen,
J. Edmondson,
D. Lawrenson
E. Moorat
S. Morley,
G. Morris
Mrs. B. Schofield,
W. Whiteside
Gillian Benson, Clerk to the Parish Council
One resident.



4019. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received for this meeting.

4020. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillors disclosed pecuniary or non pecuniary interests in matters to be discussed at this meeting.

Cllr. D. Lawrenson as a member of Wyre Council's planning committee

Cllr. D. Lawrenson declared a personal interest as a neighbour to planning application 13/00748/FUL to be discussed.

4021. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved; The minutes of the last meeting, held on 9th October, 2013, having been circulated, agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

4022. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The meeting was adjourned to allow residents to speak.

The resident did not wish to raise any matters in Pilling

The meeting was resumed.

4023. AMENITY GRASS CUTTING IN PILLING

Lancashire County Council is to again reduce the payments for amenity grass cutting to Parishes by 10% for next year therefore the contract will be worth £491.04 from £545.60 this year. Councillors considered if this was still worthwhile accepting. It was noted that the Parish Council would ensure the grass was cut to their standards.

Resolved: To accept the amenity grass cutting contract from Lancashire County Council for 2014 – 2015. To express concerns at the year on year reductions.

4024. GROUNDWORKS WORKSHOP

Lancashire Association of Local Councils has organised a FREE Workshop for Groundworks, creating community gardens, development toolkits etc. on 31st January, 2014 at the Leyland Hotel 9.30am till 3.30pm.

Resolved: Cllr. W. Whiteside to attend the Groundwork Workshops.

4025. HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT POLICY

Lancashire County Council is consulting on the changes proposed to support for pupils attending mainstream schools through a questionnaire. It was noted that these cuts will impact on rural families and schools.

Resolved: The Chairman will complete the questionnaire, following the discussions at Council.

4026. BUS SHELTER ON LANCASTER ROAD

Lancashire County Council is looking to site a bus shelter near the Elletsons Arms, funded from the affordable housing development at Blue Bell Farm. The Councillors were pleased that their nominated location had been considered and agreed with the siting and wanted sight of the design to be used.

Resolved: The Parish Council agrees to siting the bus shelter in front of the Auction Mart and ask for details of the design.

4027. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following reserved matter has gained approval:

13/00514/REMAJ

Proposal: Reserved matters application for the erection of 15 affordable dwellings

Location: Land Rear Of Blue Bell Cottages, Blue Bell Close, Pilling

The following planning application has been deemed lawful:

13/00605/LAWP

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for proposed detached garage

Location: Melron, Taylors Lane, Pilling

The following planning applications have been granted:

13/00506/FUL

Proposal: Barn conversion into one dwelling (re-submission of 13/00274/FUL)

Location: Head Farm, Bradshaw Lane, Pilling

13/00637/FUL

Proposal: Part single-storey, part two-storey rear extensions with balconies

Location: Ladies Hill Cottage, Fluke Hall Lane, Pilling,

Planning Applications for information

13/00340/NONMAT

Proposal: Non-material amendment relating to planning application 13/00340/FUL for removal of two rear dormers and front dormer to be replaced with rooflights

Location: The Cobbles School Lane Pilling

11/00663/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 4 (off-site highway works), 9 (drainage), 10 (drainage) and 11 (land contamination)

Location: Land Rear Of Blue Bell Cottages Blue Bell Close Pilling

13/00514/DIS

Proposal: Discharge of condition 1 relating to materials in connection with planning application 13/00514/REMMAJ (Outline App 10/00704/OUTMAJ)

Location: Land Rear of Blue Bell Cottages Blue Bell Close Pilling

As these are for non material changes/discharge and the planning principle has been established the Parish Council will not be consulted

Planning Applications for consideration

The Councillors made comment on the following planning applications:

13/00737/FUL

Proposal: Erection of single-storey rear extension

Location: Longwood House Longwood Lane Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and requests neighbourhood notification.

13/00748/FUL

Proposal: Change of use from three offices to a holiday let

Location: Deekswood, Duck Street, Pilling

Cllr. D. Lawrenson declared a personal interest as a neighbour.

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and requests neighbourhood notification.

Councillors raised the flood zone 3 that Wyre Council is adhering to, which seems to prevent any house building in Pilling, other than affordable housing and the confusion this is causing.

Resolved: To invite David Thow, head of planning at Wyre, to visit the Parish Council and explain planning in Pilling.

13/00750/FUL

Proposal: Erection of an agricultural building

Location: Micklemas Barn, Lancaster Road, Pilling

Resolved: The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application and requests neighbourhood notification.

4028. FINANCE**Royal British Legion Donation**

Councillors considered a donation towards the continuing work of the Royal British Legion. This year's poppy wreath was paid last month.

Resolved: That a donation of £50 is made and that next year the donation and purchase of the poppy wreath is combined and paid in October.

The following payment has been made to the Parish Council:

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| 1. Bank Quarterly Interest | £ 1.17 |
| 2. St. John the Baptist Church | £330.00* |
| | Clothing collections and grass cutting of the new graveyard |
| 3. Lancashire County Council | £545.60 |
| | Amenity Grass Cutting in the Parish. |

*Thanks will be sent to St. John's Church for their achievement in raising £300 from the clothing collection for the Senior Citizens' Christmas Party.

Resolved: Councillors accepted the following invoices for payment:

1. Clerk's salary and expenses	£141.73	
2. Parish Lengthsman wages and expenses	£ 31.26	
3. Prudential AVC	£100.00	Clerk's pension
4. Catterall Parish Council	£ 23.71	Phone and broadband
5. Cornthwaite Farm Machinery	£3,188.00	Replacement sit on mower and push mower less the trade in price of the present sit on mower.
6. Royal British Legion	£ 50.00	
7. Garstang Timber	£ 10.37	Work undertaken for Public Rights of Way, repair to a footbridge on FP20.

Direct Debits

Staff costs	£1,600.00
Local Government Pension Scheme	£634.15

Bank Reconciliation and Financial Statement

Resolved: Councillors accepted the bank reconciliation to 30th September and the financial statement for the second quarter.

Resolved: Councillors accepted the bank reconciliation to 31st October, 2013.

Budget and Precept 2014 – 2015

Information included. This is only an outline to act as a starting point and is year to 30th September, 2013. Councillors who have ideas/projects for inclusion must ensure they are costed and these will be presented for discussion. The precept will need to be returned to Wyre Council by 24th January, 2014.

Barriers for the Christmas Tree

The replacement of the chestnut pailing was discussed and crowd barriers have been priced up. These are 7 feet long, 4feet 6inches high and interlock for security. The Parish Council has been quoted a price of £16 each including VAT.

Resolved: To measure the number of barriers required to surround the Christmas Tree and purchase for use this year. Further security will be provided by the use of a chain to link all the barriers together.

A risk assessment will be carried out for the night's celebrations.

4029. VERBAL REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Wyre Councillor's Report

Cllr. D. Lawrenson reported that Wyre is working with Regenda in purchasing 11 empty houses in Fleetwood for re-furbishment and rent.

Pilling in Bloom

Cllr. W. Whiteside reported on Pilling in Bloom's success in this year's Wyre in Bloom when they were awarded a Silver Gilt. He added that as there is no where in the Village for recycling, this lost marks and he is looking to have 3 re-cycling bins at the rear of the Golden Ball for green waste, paper and glass and will approach Wyre. Pilling in Bloom is to replace many of the barrels that are past their best and renew the hanging troughs at Mill Bridge.

Senior Citizens' Christmas Party

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson ran through the itinerary for the evening and all the setting up required. She reported that the entertainment was sorted, but we are short of a piano player. Setting up the room will take place on Monday 9th from 2pm.

Pilling Memorial Hall/Pilling 20 20

It was confirmed that the new playing field has a covenant restricting the use to agricultural purposes only and this is being dealt with.

4030. QUESTIONS FOR COUNCILLORS

Pilling in Bloom Farm Machinery

Prices for the sandblasting and priming of four pieces of farm machinery used in floral displays have been received, £100 per item plus VAT. Cllr. W. Whiteside will be attending the next Wyre in Bloom meeting in December and will be briefed as to the theme for next year, if the machinery would be an integral part of the displays then those pieces will be sandblasted.

Dykes in the Village

Cllr. Mrs. E. Cookson reported on a number of dykes either not being cleaned or pushed in to the point of not allowing water to run. Landowners have been approached and one is to be reported to Lancashire County Council for action on damage to the dyke and the road edges.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

Chairman

Date